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Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.


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- ☐ [ ] The fee of \$180.00 (1806) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is also enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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**FIRST**  
**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the information on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

All of the listed documents were previously made of record in prior Application Serial No. 10/106,099, filed March 27, 2002, upon which Applicants rely for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. § 120.

Also submitted in a Second Information Disclosure Statement in Application Serial No. 10/106,099, filed March 27, 2002, were documents cited in a "Notice of Ground of Rejection" (Office Action) dated July 29, 2003, in the corresponding Japanese priority application. A copy of the Notice and translation thereof were also submitted.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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